

TAYLOR, BUCKLAND & LATES.

CHARLES TOWNEND LATES.

JOSEPH HENRY DREW.

ROBERT ELLIOTT WHITING.

104 late 55 William Street.
Melbourne. 24th May 1891

My dear Andrew,

I have received a letter from my sister Florie which informs me that there has been a financial trouble at home, and that she consulted you with the result that you paid the £6.15.0 to get them out of the difficulty. Accept my best thanks, dear Andrew, for the kind and practical manner in which you met her. I am sure you did it promptly and ungrudgingly. At the same time I am grieved that the monetary troubles of our family should be made any subject of concern to you. I did not know that this pressure was likely to be put upon them, and it is doubly unfortunate that they have no one

on the spot to advise them, and
the landlord, it appears, urged
perhaps by his own necessities, has
tried to impose an extortionate
rent upon them -

Money matters have been
singularly unfortunate with me for
the past 7 or 8 months - A relative
of mine let me in for £30 in
a most shabby manner, and the
robbery of £20 accentuated the
trouble - joined to this Dave has
hardly done anything since he
came here about 6 or 7 months
ago, and so far from being any
help to those at home has not
been able to keep himself - things
are in a bad way here.

I have a brave little wife
and a dear little child, and
health keeps with us, but sometimes
these ~~troubles~~ make me feel faint
at heart -

If you will kindly let
the amount stand over till the
end of this month I will send
you a P.O. order for it. I would
try to do so this month, but I

find there is further stability at home, which they have tried to keep from me, and which I want to keep them with this month. So much, dear, Rachel, for the des angustas domi in this letter.

Since you left the wife of W & G presented him with a daughter. She told me the confinement was a hard one for her - the feet being presented first. They are both progressing well now. Over the glass of wine we crushed in honor of the event your name naturally came up and Walter seemed wounded you had not seen him during your recent visits. I was frank with him and pointed out that his indifference to Marie during her visit here was thought strange enough by all of us. He said he was going to write you.

Mrs George Edwards paid a
visit to my crib about a
week ago. It was during the
daytime when I was away.
She and Nancy appear to have
taken to one another very
well and we are under
orders to visit George & his
wife this evening. This will
be the first visit since my
marriage. I forgot to say that
Mrs Fine accompanied Mrs
Edwards. I suppose you know
she & Mrs E had a third child
not long back.

I have not seen Y. G.
since your departure. She is
living in lodgings now Mrs
G and the other sister being at
Walter's house.

I have no time to say
anything more at present save
to send kindest regards to Madie
and the children (If Emma will
stand being called a kinchum now)
and remain in the hope of having
a line from you soon
Ever affectionately
G. Norton